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SUBJ: BAGHGROUND INFORMATION ON KHALID G. TALIA

1. USINT IS CONSIDERING EMPLOYMENT OF KHALID G. TALID, AN IRAQI NATIONAL BORN ON MAY 18, 1941 IN BAHRAIN WHERE HIS FATHER, GEORGE THOMAS TALIA, WAS A PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICIAL WITH THE BRITISH POLITICAL RESIDENT.
 2. TALIA CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED BY USIS IN KARACHI, PAKISTAN IN 1965 AND TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED BY PAKISTANI AUTHORITIES IN SEPTEMBER 1965. HE SAYS THAT THE PAKISTANIS TRIED TO FORCE HIM TO "CONFESS" THAT THE THEN AID DIRECTOR, MAURICE WILLIAMS, WAS IN CHARGE OF CIA OPERATIONS IN PAKISTAN. HE REFUSED TO DO SO AND WAS DEPORTED FROM PAKISTAN IN APRIL 1966.
 3. SINCE THEN TALIA HAS WORKED FOR SEVERAL ECONOMIC PUBLICATIONS AND FOR THE INDIAN EMBASSY IN BAGHDAD.
 4. USINT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON TALIA WHICH DEPARTMENT OR CONGEN KARACHI MIGHT HAVE IN ITS FILES.
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